

# BEARFACTS 1995 – 2005 Lafayette, Arkansas [05073]

Lafayette is one of 75 counties in Arkansas. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2005 population of 7,949 ranked 74th in the state.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Lafayette had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$21,217. This PCPI ranked 55th in the state and was 79 percent of the state average, \$26,989, and 61 percent of the national average, \$34,757. The 2005 PCPI reflected a decrease of 2.0 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 4.7 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1995 the PCPI of Lafayette was \$13,639 and ranked 70th in the state. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.1 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Lafayette had a total personal income (TPI) of \$168,653\*. This TPI ranked 71st in the state and accounted for 0.2 percent of the state total. In 1995 the TPI of Lafayette was \$125,011\* and ranked 71st in the state. The 2005 TPI reflected a decrease of 3.6 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 5.8 percent and the national change was 5.9 percent. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.0 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Lafayette. In 2005 net earnings accounted for 56.5 percent of TPI (compared with 60.1 in 1995); dividends, interest, and rent were 11.6 percent (compared with 13.4 in 1995); and personal current transfer receipts were 31.9 percent (compared with 26.6 in 1995). From 2004 to 2005 net earnings decreased 7.3 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 8.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.9 percent. From 1995 to 2005 net earnings increased on average 2.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 1.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 4.9 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Lafayette decreased from \$90,026\* in 2004 to \$79,039\* in 2005, a decrease of 12.2 percent. The 2004-2005 state change was 3.8 percent and the national change was 5.4 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1995 estimate of \$67,877\* to the 2005 estimate was 1.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.8 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.